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E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: PLO ISSUE IN ILO CONFERENCE

FOR PERSONS FROM UNDER SECRETARY SISCO

1. AFL-CIO HAS CONFIRMED THAT WORKERS' DEL WILL WALK OUT OF ILO PLENARY AFTER DEFEAT OF WORKERS' AMENDMENT WHICH WOULD DENY OBSERVERSHIP TO THE PLO. IT IS OUR FURTHER UNDERSTANDING THAT THE LABOR REPRESENTATIVES CREDENTIALS WOULD BE WITHDRAWN AND HE WOULD NOT PARTICIPATE IN THE REMAINDER OF THE CONFERENCE. OUR FURTHER UNDERSTANDING IS THAT THE MANAGEMENT REPRESENTATIVE WILL WALK OUT BUT THAT HE WILL RETURN TO PARTICIPATE IN THE REMAINDER OF THE CONFERENCE.

2. IN THESE CIRCUMSTANCES THE GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATIVE SHOULD ALSO WALK OUT MAKING A STATEMENT THAT IN VIEW OF THE DECISIONS OF THE LABOR AND MANAGEMENT DELEGATES, YOU ARE CONFIDENTIAL

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EXPRESSING A SOLIDARITY OF VIEW WITH THEM AND THEREFORE

ABSENTING YOURSELF FROM THIS MEETING. YOU SHOULD ALSO INDICATE THAT YOU WILL RETURN TO PARTICIPATE IN THE REMAINDER OF THE CONFERENCE SO AS TO BE IN A POSITION TO DEFEND U.S. INTERESTS.

3. THE ABOVE BRIEF STATEMENT SHOULD BE MADE IN ADDITION TO THE STATEMENT CONTAINED IN STATE 136080, WHICH MAKES CLEAR OUR STRONG OPPOSITION TO THE ACTION BEING TAKEN BY THE ILO. KISSINGER

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